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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: **Sumihito Morita et al.**  
Appln. No.: **10/688,762**  
Filed: **October 17, 2003**  
For: **Thin Film Magnetic Head Having Partial Insulating Layer Formed On Bottom Pole Layer Through Gap Layer and Method of Manufacturing the Same**

Examiner: **T. Chen**  
Art Unit: **2652**

Attorney Docket No: **9281/4709**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Response to Office Action of December 29, 2004, and Interview Summary
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

**Fee calculation:**

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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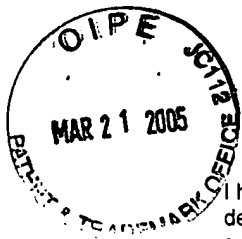
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 29, 2004

#### AND

#### INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

This is in Response to the Office Action, mailed on December 29, 2004 in the above referenced application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, reexamination and allowance of Claims 1 and 13 in view of the following claim amendments and/or remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.